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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

<i>Group:</i>	3733	}
<i>Confirmation No.:</i>	2189	
<i>Application No.:</i>	10/058,495	
<i>Invention:</i>	COMPOSITE PROSTHETIC BEARING HAVING A CROSSLINKED ARTICULATING SURFACE AND METHOD FOR MAKING THE SAME	
<i>Applicant:</i>	Richard King et al.	
<i>Filed:</i>	January 28, 2002	
<i>Attorney</i> <i>Docket:</i>	265280-68002	
<i>Examiner:</i>	A. Ramana	

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SUBMITTED ON:**

**JANUARY 20, 2009**

Mail Stop Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed on August 20, 2008, the Applicants respectfully request entry of this Response and Amendment submitted with a Request for Continued Examination (RCE). No new matter is sought to be entered by way of these amendments. The Director is hereby authorized to charge the RCE filing fee of \$810.00 to Barnes & Thornburg LLP Deposit Account No. 10-0435. The due date for response, given a three-month shortened statutory period, is November 20, 2008. Applicants hereby petition for a two-month extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), thereby extending the period for response to January 20, 2009. Accordingly, the Applicants response on January 20, 2009 is timely with a two-month extension. The Director is hereby authorized to charge the two-month extension of time fee of \$490.00 to Barnes & Thornburg LLP Deposit Account No. 10-0435, with reference to our matter number 265280-68002. The Applicants do not believe that any additional fees are due with the instant Response; however, if any

such fees are required, the Director is hereby authorized to charge the same to Barnes & Thornburg LLP Deposit Account No. 10-0435, with reference to our matter number 265280-68002.

In response to the Office Action dated August 20, 2008, please consider the following:

**Amendments to the Claims** begin on page **3** of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page **6** of this paper.